What is claimed is:

1. An image comparison apparatus in which an image of a photograph object is acquired by using photograph means, and in a case where a button for check confirmation is pressed down, the acquired image is compared with information concerning previously memorized registration images, and a comparison result is outputted, wherein:

an object detection sensor for detecting existence of the photograph object is provided;

the photograph means acquires a plurality of images of the photograph object during a period from detection of the photograph object by the object detection sensor to a press of the button; and

in a case where the button is pressed, at least one of the plurality of acquired images is compared with the information concerning the previously memorized registration image.

- 2. An image comparison method, comprising:
 - a step of detecting existence of a photograph object;
 a step of capturing a plurality of images of the photograph

object in a case where the photograph object is detected;

- a step of detecting a press of a button for check confirmation;
- a step of comparing at least one of the plurality of captured images with information concerning previously

memorized registration images when the press of the button is detected; and

a step of outputting a comparison result.

3. An image comparison center apparatus in which a captured image is compared with information concerning registration images previously memorized in memory means, and a comparison result is outputted, wherein:

a plurality of captured images of a same object are successively compared with the information concerning the registration images memorized in the memory means;

as a result of the comparison, a proper judgment result is outputted in a case where there is a similar image satisfying a check judgment threshold; and

an improper judgment result is outputted in a case where there is no similar image satisfying the check judgment threshold in the plurality of images.

4. An image comparison system in which an image of a photograph object is captured by using photograph means, the captured image is compared with information concerning registration images previously memorized in memory means, and a comparison result is outputted, wherein:

a plurality of captured images of a same object are successively compared with the information concerning the registration images memorized in the memory means;

as a result of the comparison, a proper judgment result

is outputted in a case where there is a similar image satisfying a check judgment threshold; and

an improper judgment result is outputted in a case where there is no similar image satisfying the check judgment threshold in the plurality of images.

- 5. An image comparison apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in a case where an image acquired immediately after the button for check confirmation is pressed down is a check poor image, a check is made in order of timing near a timing of a press of the button by using an image from the plurality of images acquired before the press of the button.
- 6. An image comparison method according to claim 2, wherein in a case where an image acquired immediately after the button for check confirmation is pressed down is a check poor image, a check is made in order of timing near a timing of a press of the button by using an image from the plurality of images acquired before the press of the button.
- 7. An image comparison center apparatus according to claim 3, wherein in a case where an image acquired immediately after the button for check confirmation is pressed down is a check poor image, a check is made in order of timing near a timing of a press of the button by using an image from the plurality of images acquired before the press of the button.
- 8. An image comparison system according to claim 4, wherein in a case where an image acquired immediately after the button

for check continuation is pressed down is a check poor image, a check is made in order of timing near a timing of a press of the button by using an image from the plurality of images acquired before the press of the button.

- 9. An image comparison apparatus according to claim 1, wherein display means for displaying a check state is provided.
- 10. An image comparison method according to claim 2, wherein display means for displaying a check state is provided.
- 11. An image comparison center apparatus according to claim 3, wherein display means for displaying a check state is provided.
- 12. An image comparison system according to claim 4, wherein display means for displaying a check state is provided.
- 13. An image comparison apparatus according to claim 5, wherein display means for displaying a check state is provided.
- 14. An image comparison method according to claim 6, wherein display means for displaying a check state is provided.
- 15. An image comparison center apparatus according to claim 7, wherein display means for displaying a check state is provided.
- 16. An image comparison system according to claim 8, wherein display means for displaying a check state is provided.